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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before beginning examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the specification as originally filed with the enclosed substitute specification. A marked-up copy of the specification indicating changes that were made will be provided in short order.

On page 1 of the substitute specification, just after the title, insert the following sentence:

-- This is the U.S. National Stage of International Application PCT/FI00/00504 which was filed on June 6, 2000 and published in the English language.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-19 and add new claim 20 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of indicating a macro mobility entity in an access system comprising a plurality of mobile stations, access nodes, and at least one mobility entity arranged to provide macro mobility management services to the mobile stations while registered to the access system, said method comprising
initiating an attach procedure to one of said access nodes by a mobile station,